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25X1 CITE [REDACTED]

25X1 TO: DIRECTOR [REDACTED]

25X1 RYBAT [REDACTED]

25X1 1. [REDACTED] WAS WELCOMED

25X1 AND HIS PERFORMANCE ON THE [REDACTED] SCENE WILL BE OF
SIGNIFICANT BENEFIT TO STATION/BASES IN COMING MONTHS.

2. IN SUMMARY, HE WAS VERY EFFECTIVE IN CONVINCING

OUR LIAISON COUNTERPARTS THAT THE AGENCY HAS REGAINED THE
CONFIDENCE OF THE AMERICAN PEOPLE AND MOST OF THE CONGRESS,
USING SOME VERY REALISTIC EXAMPLES TO MAKE HIS POINT. HIS
COMMENTS REGARDING THE SUPPORT OF THE CURRENT DEFENSE

25X1 BUDGET WERE ALSO REASSURING TO [REDACTED] OFFICIALS HE CAME

25X1 INTO CONTACT WITH [REDACTED]. HE WAS

PARTICULARLY EFFECTIVE IN MAKING THE POINT THAT IN HIS

25X1 OPINION THE UNITED STATES WILL STAND [REDACTED] IN THE

FUTURE AS IT HAS IN THE PAST. HOWEVER, HE WAS ALSO CLEVER

IN MAKING THE POINT THAT FOR A COUNTRY TO REMAIN "UNDER THE

U.S. UMBRELLA", IT MUST DECLARE ITSELF AS A "PARTICIPANT"

25X1 AND NOT A "SPECTATOR". HE USED [REDACTED] AS AN EXAMPLE IN HIS

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25X1 DISCUSSIONS, BUT [REDACTED] GOT THE MESSAGE; HE ALSO
MADE THE POINT THAT FOREIGN COUNTRIES ALIGNED WITH THE
U.S. SHOULD "NOT FEED THE FIRES OF AMERICAN ISOLATIONISTS" -
I.E., SHOULD BE CAREFUL NOT TO BE NEGATIVE ABOUT THE REQUIRE-
MENT AND DESIRE FOR AMERICAN SUPPORT AND ASSISTANCE. HE
25X1 ALSO FOCUSED ON CONVINCING [REDACTED] CONTACTS THAT THE U.S.
WAS THROUGH A CRISIS PERIOD, AND WAS MOVING PROGRESSIVELY
FORWARD IN ALL AREAS; MILITARY, ECONOMIC, ETC.
25X1 3. FEEDBACK FROM THE SENIOR [REDACTED] OFFICIALS WITH WHOM
HE MET SHOWED THAT HIS EFFORTS MET WITH CONSIDERABLE SUCCESS.
25X1 [REDACTED], WERE UNANIMOUS
IN PRAISING THE VALUE OF HIS VISIT, AND WERE PARTICULARLY
COMPLIMENTARY RE THE ENCOURAGING, INFORMATIVE ASPECT OF
THEIR CONTACT WITH HIM. ONE SENIOR OFFICIAL REMARKED THAT
"IT WAS AS IF A PROFESSOR HAD ASSEMBLED HIS STUDENTS FOR A
LECTURE", WHICH STATION BELIEVES PUTS THE PERFORMANCE IN
25X1 PROPER PERSPECTIVE. WITHOUT EXCEPTION, [REDACTED]
APPRECIATED HIS CANDOR AND THE INFORMATIVE NATURE OF THE
25X1 SESSIONS. THE SESSION [REDACTED] WAS APRTCIULARLY
25X1 INTERESTING. IT WAS APPARENT THAT [REDACTED] HAD INTENDED TO

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25X1 RAISE THE [] ISSUE, BUT AFTER CAUTIOUSLY PROBING TO
25X1 "GET A FEEL FOR THE WATER", AS IS TYPICAL []
HE DECIDED TO BACK AWAY FROM THE ISSUE. STATION WAS QUITE
25X1 AMUSED BY THE FACT THAT [] CLEARLY WON THE "DUEL".
25X1 4. THE ELOQUENT, WELL-INFORMED [] WAS LIKE A
25X1 FRESH BREATH OF AIR [] SIMPLY
STATED, HE WORKED HARD FOR US WHILE HE WAS HERE, WAS VERY
EFFECTIVE IN WHAT HE DID, AND WE WILL ENJOY THE BENEFITS OF
HIS EFFORT FOR MANY MONTHS TO COME. E2 IMPDET.

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